BUDGETING

You should be looking for a job that will allow you to support yourself and your family. This worksheet will give you an estimate of the hourly wage you need to earn.

MONTHLY INCOME

Other wage earners in my family (net, after taxes and other deductions)
Alimony
Child support
Other monthly income

TOTAL \$

MONTHLY EXPENSES

Rent or house payment \$

Food

Electric and gas utilities

Water utility Trash pick-up Telephone Cable TV

Gasoline for the car Bus transportation

Clothing Laundry

Medical and dental bills

Newspaper

Loan payments

Credit card payments

Auto loan payments

Auto insurance

Health insurance

Life insurance

Child care

Alimony

Child Support

Savings

Other

TOTAL \$

Total Monthly Expenses \$

If you are or are going to be the only person working in your family, this is the amount of monthly income you need to earn to support your current life style.

For a rough estimate of your target hourly wage:

Total Monthly Expenses

\$

multiply by 120% to allow for paycheck deductions

x 1.20

Equals \$

divide by 172 to change a monthly income to an hourly wage

÷172

Your target hourly wage Equals \$